# MySQL Exercise 9: Subqueries and Derived Tables

Now that you understand how joins work, in this lesson we are going to learn how to incorporate subqueries and derived tables into our queries.

Subqueries, which are also sometimes called inner queries or nested queries, are queries that are embedded within the context of another query. The output of a subquery is incorporated into the queries that surround it. Subqueries can be used in SELECT, WHERE, and FROM clauses. When they are used in FROM clauses they create what are called derived tables.

# The main reasons to use subqueries are:

- Sometimes they are the most logical way to retrieve the information you want
- . They can be used to isolate each logical part of a statement, which can be helpful for troubleshooting long and complicated queries
- · Sometimes they run faster than joins

Some people find subqueries easier to read than joins. However, that is often a result of not feeling comfortable with the concepts behind joins in the first place (I prefer join syntax, so admittedly, that is my preference).

#### Subqueries must be enclosed in parentheses. Subqueries have a couple of rules that joins don't:

- ORDER BY phrases cannot be used in subqueries (although ORDER BY phrases can still be used in outer queries that contain subqueries).
- Subqueries in SELECT or WHERE clauses that return more than one row must be used in combination with operators that are explicitly designed to
  handle multiple values, such as the IN operator. Otherwise, subqueries in SELECT or WHERE statements can output no more than 1 row.

#### So why would you use subqueries?

Let's look at some examples.

Start by loading the sql library and database, and making the Dognition database your default database:

# In [2]:

```
%load_ext sql
%sql mysql://studentuser:studentpw@localhost/dognitiondb
%sql USE dognitiondb
```

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb  $\theta$  rows affected.

#### Out[2]:

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#### 1) "On the fly calculations" (or, doing calculations as you need them)

One of the main uses of subqueries is to calculate values as you need them. This allows you to use a summary calculation in your query without having to enter the value outputted by the calculation explicitly. A situation when this capability would be useful is if you wanted to see all the records that were greater than the average value of a subset of your data.

Recall one of the queries we wrote in "MySQL Exercise 4: Summarizing your Data" to calculate the average amount of time it took customers to complete all of the tests in the exam answers table (we had to exclude negative durations from the calculation due to some abnormalities in the data):

```
SELECT AVG(TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start_time,end_time)) AS AvgDuration
FROM exam_answers
WHERE TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start_time,end_time)>0;
```

What if we wanted to look at just the data from rows whose durations were greater than the average, so that we could determine whether there are any features that seem to correlate with dogs taking a longer time to finish their tests? We could use a subquery to calculate the average duration, and then indicate in our SELECT and WHERE clauses that we only wanted to retrieve the rows whose durations were greater than the average. Here's what the query would look like:

```
SELECT *
FROM exam_answers
WHERE TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start_time,end_time) >
    (SELECT AVG(TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start_time,end_time)) AS AvgDuration
    FROM exam_answers
    WHERE TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start time,end time)>0);
```

You can see that TIMESTAMPDIFF gets compared to the singular average value outputted by the subquery surrounded by parentheses. You can also see that it's easier to read the query as a whole if you indent and align all the clauses associated with the subquery, relative to the main query.

Question 1: How could you use a subquery to extract all the data from exam\_answers that had test durations that were greater than the average duration for the "Yawn Warm-Up" game? Start by writing the query that gives you the average duration for the "Yawn Warm-Up" game by itself (and don't forget to exclude negative values; your average duration should be about 9934):

# In [4]:

```
%%sql
SELECT AVG(TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start_time,end_time)) AS AvgDuration
FROM exam_answers
WHERE TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start_time,end_time)>0;
```

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 1 rows affected.

#### Out[4]:

#### AvgDuration

11233.0951

#### In [3]:

```
%%sql
SELECT *
FROM exam_answers
WHERE TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start_time,end_time) >
    (SELECT AVG(TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start_time,end_time)) AS AvgDuration
    FROM exam_answers
    WHERE TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start_time,end_time)>0)
LIMIT 10;
```

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 10 rows affected.

#### Out[3]:

script_detail_id	subcategory_name	test_name	step_type	start_time	end_time	loop_number	dog_guid
537	Sociability	Sociability	question	2013-02-05 03:58:13	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
538	Emotions	Emotions	question	2013-02-05 03:58:31	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
539	Shy/Boldness	Shy/Boldness	question	2013-02-05 03:59:03	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
540	Perception	Perception	question	2013-02-05 03:59:10	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
541	Recall	Recall	question	2013-02-05 03:59:22	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
542	Attachment	Attachment	question	2013-02-05 03:59:36	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
543	Puzzles	Puzzles	question	2013-02-05 03:59:41	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
544	Shy/Boldness	Shy/Boldness	question	2013-02-05 04:00:00	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
545	Shy/Boldness	Shy/Boldness	question	2013-02-05 04:00:16	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
546	Partnership	Partnership	question	2013-02-05 04:00:35	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b

#### CODE

%%sql SELECT \* FROM exam\_answers WHERE TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start\_time,end\_time) > (SELECT AVG(TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start\_time,end\_time)) AS AvgDuration FROM exam\_answers WHERE TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start\_time,end\_time)>0);

#### OUTPUT

• mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 10572 rows affected.

#### **QUESTION 1 ANSWER**

#### In [7]:

```
%%sql
SELECT AVG(TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start_time,end_time)) AS AvgDuration
FROM exam_answers
WHERE TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start_time,end_time)>0 AND test_name="Yawn Warm-Up";
```

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 1 rows affected.

#### Out[7]:

#### AvgDuration

9933.5197

Question 2: Once you've verified that your subquery is written correctly on its own, incorporate it into a main query to extract all the data from exam\_answers that had test durations that were greater than the average duration for the "Yawn Warm-Up" game (you will get 11059 rows):

# In [2]:

```
%%sql
SELECT *
FROM exam_answers
WHERE TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start_time,end_time) >
(SELECT AVG(TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start_time,end_time)) AS AvgDuration
FROM exam_answers
WHERE TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start_time,end_time)>0 AND test_name="Yawn Warm-Up")
LIMIT 20;
```

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 20 rows affected.

#### Out[2]:

script_detail_id	subcategory_name	test_name	step_type	start_time	end_time	loop_number	dog_guid
537	Sociability	Sociability	question	2013-02-05 03:58:13	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
538	Emotions	Emotions	question	2013-02-05 03:58:31	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
539	Shy/Boldness	Shy/Boldness	question	2013-02-05 03:59:03	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
540	Perception	Perception	question	2013-02-05 03:59:10	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
541	Recall	Recall	question	2013-02-05 03:59:22	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
542	Attachment	Attachment	question	2013-02-05 03:59:36	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
543	Puzzles	Puzzles	question	2013-02-05 03:59:41	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
544	Shy/Boldness	Shy/Boldness	question	2013-02-05 04:00:00	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
545	Shy/Boldness	Shy/Boldness	question	2013-02-05 04:00:16	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
546	Partnership	Partnership	question	2013-02-05 04:00:35	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
547	Emotions	Emotions	question	2013-02-05 04:00:46	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
548	Perception	Perception	question	2013-02-05 04:00:54	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
549	Obedience	Obedience	question	2013-02-05 04:01:01	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
550	Attachment	Attachment	question	2013-02-05 04:01:15	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
551	Attachment	Attachment	question	2013-02-05 04:01:40	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
552	Puzzles	Puzzles	question	2013-02-05 04:02:02	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
553	Recall	Recall	question	2013-02-05 04:02:30	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
554	Obedience	Obedience	question	2013-02-05 04:03:00	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
555	Perception	Perception	question	2013-02-05 04:03:29	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
556	Sociability	Sociability	question	2013-02-05 04:03:37	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b

# In [3]:

%%sql
SELECT \*
FROM exam\_answers
WHERE TIMESTAMPDIFF(minute,start\_time,end\_time) > "9934"
LIMIT 20;

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 20 rows affected.

# Out[3]:

script_detail_id	subcategory_name	test_name	step_type	start_time	end_time	loop_number	dog_guid
537	Sociability	Sociability	question	2013-02-05 03:58:13	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
538	Emotions	Emotions	question	2013-02-05 03:58:31	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
539	Shy/Boldness	Shy/Boldness	question	2013-02-05 03:59:03	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
540	Perception	Perception	question	2013-02-05 03:59:10	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
541	Recall	Recall	question	2013-02-05 03:59:22	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
542	Attachment	Attachment	question	2013-02-05 03:59:36	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
543	Puzzles	Puzzles	question	2013-02-05 03:59:41	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
544	Shy/Boldness	Shy/Boldness	question	2013-02-05 04:00:00	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
545	Shy/Boldness	Shy/Boldness	question	2013-02-05 04:00:16	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
546	Partnership	Partnership	question	2013-02-05 04:00:35	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
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548	Perception	Perception	question	2013-02-05 04:00:54	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
549	Obedience	Obedience	question	2013-02-05 04:01:01	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
550	Attachment	Attachment	question	2013-02-05 04:01:15	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
551	Attachment	Attachment	question	2013-02-05 04:01:40	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
552	Puzzles	Puzzles	question	2013-02-05 04:02:02	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
553	Recall	Recall	question	2013-02-05 04:02:30	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
554	Obedience	Obedience	question	2013-02-05 04:03:00	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
555	Perception	Perception	question	2013-02-05 04:03:29	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b
556	Sociability	Sociability	question	2013-02-05 04:03:37	2013-10-02 20:18:06	0	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71- 058fbc01cf0b

Now double check the results you just retrieved by replacing the subquery with "9934"; you should get the same results. It is helpful to get into the habit of including these kinds of quality checks into your query-writing process.

This example shows you how subqueries allow you retrieve information dynamically, rather than having to hard code in specific numbers or names. This capability is particularly useful when you need to build the output of your queries into reports or dashboards that are supposed to display real-time information.

#### 2) Testing membership

Subqueries can also be useful for assessing whether groups of rows are members of other groups of rows. To use them in this capacity, we need to know about and practice the IN, NOT IN, EXISTS, and NOT EXISTS operators.

Recall from MySQL Exercise 2: Selecting Data Subsets Using WHERE that the IN operator allows you to use a WHERE clause to say how you want your results to relate to a list of multiple values. It's basically a condensed way of writing a sequence of OR statements. The following query would select all the users who live in the state of North Carolina (abbreviated "NC") or New York (abbreviated "NY"):

```
SELECT *
FROM users
WHERE state IN ('NC','NY');
```

Notice the quotation marks around the members of the list referred to by the IN statement. These quotation marks are required since the state names are strings of text.

A query that would give an equivalent result would be:

```
SELECT *
FROM users
WHERE state ='NC' OR state ='NY';
```

A query that would select all the users who do NOT live in the state of North Carolina or New York would be:

```
SELECT *
FROM users
WHERE state NOT IN ('NC','NY');
```

Question 3: Use an IN operator to determine how many entries in the exam\_answers tables are from the "Puzzles", "Numerosity", or "Bark Game" tests. You should get a count of 163022.

# In [4]:

```
%%sql
SELECT *
FROM users
WHERE state IN ('NC','NY')
LIMIT 10;
```

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 10 rows affected.

# Out[4]:

sign_in_count	created_at	updated_at	max_dogs	membership_id	subscribed	exclude	free_start_user	last_active_at	membership_type
181	2013-02- 05 17:54:42	2015-01-28 20:51:49	13	2	1	1	0	None	2
181	2013-02- 05 17:54:42	2015-01-28 20:51:49	13	2	1	1	0	None	2
65	2013-02- 05 00:52:16	2015-01-28 20:51:49	3	2	1	None	None	None	2
7	2013-02- 06 00:40:59	2015-01-28 20:51:50	1	2	1	None	None	None	2
15	2013-02- 06 14:13:42	2015-01-28 20:51:50	1	2	1	None	None	None	2
181	2013-02- 05 17:54:42	2015-01-28 20:51:49	13	2	1	1	0	None	2
2	2013-02- 06 19:50:16	2015-01-28 20:51:50	2	2	1	None	None	None	2
181	2013-02- 05 17:54:42	2015-01-28 20:51:49	13	2	1	1	0	None	2
4	2013-02- 07 04:19:57	2015-01-28 20:51:50	2	1	0	None	None	2014-06-23 20:42:36	1
2	2013-02- 06 01:54:46	2015-01-28 20:51:50	1	1	0	None	None	None	1
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# In [ ]:

```
CODE

%%sql

SELECT *
FROM users
WHERE state IN ('NC','NY');

OUTPUT
```

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 1333 rows affected.

# In [6]:

```
%%sql

SELECT *

FROM users

WHERE state NOT IN ('NC','NY')
LIMIT 10;
```

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 10 rows affected.

# Out[6]:

sign_in_count	created_at	updated_at	max_dogs	membership_id	subscribed	exclude	free_start_user	last_active_at	membership_type
14	2013-02- 05 03:52:02	2015-03-12 00:25:15	2	2	1	None	None	2015-03-12 00:25:15	2
8	2013-02- 05 15:29:50	2015-01-28 20:51:49	2	1	1	None	None	None	1
3	2013-02- 05 17:21:18	2015-01-28 20:51:49	1	1	1	None	None	None	1
21	2013-02- 05 13:50:48	2015-01-28 20:51:49	1	1	1	None	None	2014-09-12 19:26:29	1
6	2013-02- 05 18:02:03	2015-01-28 20:51:49	1	1	1	None	None	None	1
6	2013-02- 05 17:58:23	2015-01-28 20:51:49	1	1	0	None	None	None	1
13	2013-02- 05 20:55:34	2015-01-28 20:51:50	1	1	1	0	0	None	1
4	2013-02- 05 21:27:19	2015-01-28 20:51:50	1	2	0	None	None	None	2
7	2013-02- 05 22:13:07	2015-01-28 20:51:50	2	2	1	None	None	None	2
10	2013-02- 05 23:05:03	2015-01-28 20:51:50	1	2	0	None	None	None	2
4									<b>•</b>

# In [9]:

%%sql
SELECT COUNT(\*)
FROM users
WHERE state NOT IN ('NC','NY');

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb

1 rows affected.

# Out[9]:

COUNT(\*)

16652

**QUESTION 3 ANSWER** 

# In [8]: %\*sql SELECT COUNT(\*) FROM exam\_answers WHERE subcategory\_name IN ('Puzzles','Numerosity','Bark Game'); \* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 1 rows affected. Out[8]: count(\*)

Question 4: Use a NOT IN operator to determine how many unique dogs in the dog table are NOT in the "Working", "Sporting", or "Herding" breeding groups. You should get an answer of 7961.

```
In [10]:
%%sql
SELECT COUNT(DISTINCT dog_guid)
FROM dogs
WHERE breed_group NOT IN ('Working','Sporting','Herding');

* mysql://studentuser:***@localhost/dognitiondb
1 rows affected.
Out[10]:
COUNT(DISTINCT dog_guid)
```

EXISTS and NOT EXISTS perform similar functions to IN and NOT IN, but EXISTS and NOT EXISTS can only be used in subqueries. The syntax for EXISTS and NOT EXISTS statements is a little different than that of IN statements because EXISTS is not preceded by a column name or any other expression. The most important difference between EXISTS/NOT EXISTS and IN/NOT IN statements, though, is that unlike IN/NOT IN statements, EXISTS/NOT EXISTS are logical statements. Rather than returning raw data, per se, EXISTS/NOT EXISTS statements return a value of TRUE or FALSE. As a practical consequence, EXISTS statements are often written using an asterisk after the SELECT clause rather than explicit column names. The asterisk is faster to write, and since the output is just going to be a logical true/false either way, it does not matter whether you use an asterisk or explicit column names.

We can use EXISTS and a subquery to compare the users who are in the users table and dogs table, similar to what we practiced previously using joins. If we wanted to retrieve a list of all the users in the users table who were also in the dogs table, we could write:

You would get the same result if you wrote:

7961

163022

Essentially, both of these queries say give me all the distinct user\_guids from the users table that have a value of "TRUE" in my EXISTS clause. The results would be equivalent to an inner join with GROUP BY query. Now...

Question 5: How could you determine the number of unique users in the users table who were NOT in the dogs table using a NOT EXISTS clause? You should get the 2226, the same result as you got in Question 10 of MySQL Exercise 8: Joining Tables with Outer Joins.

```
In [14]:
%sql
SELECT DISTINCT u.user_guid AS uUserID
FROM users u
WHERE EXISTS (SELECT d.user_guid
                FROM dogs d
                WHERE u.user_guid =d.user_guid)
LIMIT 10;
 * mysql://studentuser:***@localhost/dognitiondb
10 rows affected.
Out[14]:
                         uUserID
ce134e42-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
ce1353d8-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
ce135ab8-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
ce13507c-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
ce135e14-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
ce13615c-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
 ce135f2c-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
ce136a1c-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
ce136ac6-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
ce136c24-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
In [13]:
%%sql
SELECT COUNT(DISTINCT u.user_guid) AS uUserID
FROM users u
WHERE EXISTS (SELECT d.user_guid
                FROM dogs d
                WHERE u.user_guid =d.user_guid);
 * mysql://studentuser:***@localhost/dognitiondb
1 rows affected.
Out[13]:
uUserID
  30967
In [15]:
%sql
SELECT DISTINCT u.user guid AS uUserID
FROM users u
WHERE EXISTS (SELECT *
                FROM dogs d
                WHERE u.user_guid =d.user_guid)
LIMIT 10;
 * mysql://studentuser:***@localhost/dognitiondb
10 rows affected.
Out[15]:
                         ul learID
ce134e42-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
ce1353d8-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
ce135ab8-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
ce13507c-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
ce135e14-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
ce13615c-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
 ce135f2c-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
ce136a1c-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
ce136ac6-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
ce136c24-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
```

# In [17]:

```
%%sql

SELECT DISTINCT u.user_guid AS uUserID

FROM users u
WHERE NOT EXISTS (SELECT d.user_guid

FROM dogs d
WHERE u.user_guid =d.user_guid)
LIMIT 10;
```

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 10 rows affected.

#### Out[17]:

#### uUserID

ce134f50-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b ce135888-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b ce1359aa-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b ce135fea-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b ce1360a8-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b ce13642c-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b ce1364d6-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b ce13663e-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b ce136632-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b

# In [ ]:

#### CODE

%\*sql
SELECT DISTINCT u.user\_guid AS uUserID
FROM users u
WHERE NOT EXISTS (SELECT d.user\_guid
FROM dogs d
WHERE u.user\_guid =d.user\_guid);
OUTPUT

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 2226 rows affected.

#### 3) Accurate logical representations of desired output and Derived Tables

A third situation in which subqueries can be useful is when they simply represent the logic of what you want better than joins.

We saw an example of this in our last MySQL Exercise. We wanted a list of each dog a user in the users table owns, with its accompanying breed information whenever possible. To achieve this, we wrote this query in Question 6:

```
SELECT u.user_guid AS uUserID, d.user_guid AS dUserID, d.dog_guid AS dDogID, d.breed
FROM users u LEFT JOIN dogs d
ON u.user guid=d.user guid
```

Once we saw the "exploding rows" phenomenon due to duplicate rows, we wrote a follow-up query in Question 7 to assess how many rows would be outputted per user id when we left joined the users table on the dogs table:

```
SELECT u.user_guid AS uUserID, d.user_guid AS dUserID, count(*) AS numrows
FROM users u LEFT JOIN dogs d
   ON u.user_guid=d.user_guid
GROUP BY u.user_guid
ORDER BY numrows DESC
```

This same general query without the COUNT function could have been used to output a complete list of all the distinct users in the users table, their dogs, and their dogs' breed information. However, the method we used to arrive at this was not very pretty or logically satisfying. Rather than joining many duplicated rows and fixing the results later with the GROUP BY clause, it would be much more elegant if we could simply join the distinct UserIDs in the first place. There is no way to do that with join syntax, on its own. However, you can use subqueries in combination with joins to achieve this goal.

To complete the join on ONLY distinct UserIDs from the users table, we could write:

#### Try it yourself:

#### In [19]:

```
%sql
SELECT DistinctUUsersID.user_guid AS uUserID, d.user_guid AS dUserID, count(*) AS numrows
FROM (SELECT DISTINCT u.user_guid
    FROM users u) AS DistinctUUsersID LEFT JOIN dogs d
ON DistinctUUsersID.user_guid=d.user_guid
GROUP BY DistinctUUsersID.user_guid
ORDER BY numrows DESC
LIMIT 10;
```

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 10 rows affected.

# Out[19]:

numrows	dUserID	uUserID
1819	ce7b75bc-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce7b75bc-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
26	ce225842-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce225842-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
20	ce2258a6-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce2258a6-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
13	ce135e14-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce135e14-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
11	ce29675e-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce29675e-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
9	ce134492-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce134492-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
8	ce6676d0-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce6676d0-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
8	ce83d2ca-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce83d2ca-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
7	ce32305a-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce32305a-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
7	ce7adeea-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce7adeea-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b

#### CODE

%%sql SELECT DistinctUUsersID.user\_guid AS uUserID, d.user\_guid AS dUserID, count(\*) AS numrows FROM (SELECT DISTINCT u.user\_guid FROM users u) AS DistinctUUsersID LEFT JOIN dogs d ON DistinctUUsersID.user\_guid=d.user\_guid GROUP BY DistinctUUsersID.user\_guid ORDER BY numrows DESC;

#### OUTPUT

• mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 33193 rows affected.

Queries that include subqueries always run the innermost subquery first, and then run subsequent queries sequentially in order from the innermost query to the outermost query.

Therefore, the query we just wrote extracts the distinct user\_guids from the users table *first*, and then left joins that reduced subset of user\_guids on the dogs table. As mentioned at the beginning of the lesson, since the subquery is in the FROM statement, it actually creates a temporary table, called a derived table, that is then incorporated into the rest of the query.

There are several important points to notice about the syntax of this subquery. First, an alias of "DistinctUUsersID" is used to name the results of the subquery. We are required to give an alias to any derived table we create in subqueries within FROM statements. Otherwise there would be no way for the database to refer to the multiple columns within the temporary results we create.

Second, we need to use this alias every time we want to execute a function that uses the derived table. Remember that the results in which we are interested require a join between the dogs table and the temporary table, not the dogs table and the original users table with duplicates. That means we need to make sure we reference the temporary table alias in the ON, GROUP BY, and SELECT clauses.

Third, relatedly, aliases used within subqueries can refer to tables outside of the subqueries. However, outer queries cannot refer to aliases created within subqueries unless those aliases are explicitly part of the subquery output. In other words, if you wrote the first line of the query above as:

```
SELECT u.user_guid AS uUserID, d.user_guid AS dUserID, count(*) AS numrows
```

the query would not execute because the alias "u" is contained inside the subquery, but is not included in the output. Go ahead and try it to see what the error message looks like:

#### In [ ]:

```
%%sql

SELECT DistinctUUsersID.user_guid AS uUserID, d.user_guid AS dUserID, count(*) AS numrows

FROM (SELECT DISTINCT u.user_guid

FROM users u) AS DistinctUUsersID LEFT JOIN dogs d

ON DistinctUUsersID.user_guid=d.user_guid

GROUP BY DistinctUUsersID.user_guid

ORDER BY numrows DESC;
```

A similar thing would happen if you tried to use the alias u in the GROUP BY statement.

Another thing to take note of is that when you use subqueries in FROM statements, the temporary table you create can have multiple columns in the output (unlike when you use subqueries in outside SELECT statements). But for that same reason, subqueries in FROM statements can be very computationally intensive. Therefore, it's a good idea to use them sparingly, especially when you have very large data sets.

Overall, subqueries and joins can often be used interchangeably. Some people strongly prefer one approach over another, but there is no consensus about which approach is best. When you are analyzing very large datasets, it's a good idea to test which approach will likely be faster or easier to troubleshoot for your particular application.

# Let's practice some more subqueries!

Question 6: Write a query using an IN clause and equijoin syntax that outputs the dog\_guid, breed group, state of the owner, and zip of the owner for each distinct dog in the Working, Sporting, and Herding breed groups. (You should get 10,254 rows; the query will be a little slower than some of the others we have practiced)

#### In [4]:

```
%%sql
SELECT DISTINCT d.dog_guid, d.breed_group, u.state, u.zip
FROM dogs d, users u
WHERE breed_group IN ('Working','Sporting','Herding') AND d.user_guid=u.user_guid
LIMIT 10;
```

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 10 rows affected.

#### Out[4]:

dog_guid	breed_group	state	zip	
fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Sporting	ND	58201	
fd27b5ba-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Herding	MA	1005	
fd3fb0f2-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Herding	MA	1005	
fd27b6b4-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Sporting	CT	6820	
fd27b79a-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Sporting	IL	60093	
fd27b948-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Working	WA	98001	
fd27c1c2-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Sporting	WA	98117	
fd27c0fa-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Sporting	WA	98117	
fd27c7d0-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Sporting	CA	95003	
fd27c8d4-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Working	VA	22903	

#### CODE

%%sql SELECT DISTINCT d.dog\_guid, d.breed\_group, u.state, u.zip FROM dogs d, users u WHERE breed\_group IN ('Working','Sporting','Herding') AND d.user\_guid=u.user\_guid;

#### OUTPUT

• mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 10254 rows affected.

# Question 7: Write the same query as in Question 6 using traditional join syntax.

# In [6]:

```
%%sql

SELECT DISTINCT d.dog_guid, d.breed_group, u.state, u.zip

FROM dogs d JOIN users u

ON d.user_guid=u.user_guid

WHERE breed_group IN ('Working','Sporting','Herding')

LIMIT 10;
```

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 10 rows affected.

# Out[6]:

dog_guid	breed_group	state	zip
fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Sporting	ND	58201
fd27b5ba-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Herding	MA	1005
fd3fb0f2-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Herding	MA	1005
fd27b6b4-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Sporting	СТ	6820
fd27b79a-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Sporting	IL	60093
fd27b948-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Working	WA	98001
fd27c1c2-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Sporting	WA	98117
fd27c0fa-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Sporting	WA	98117
fd27c7d0-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Sporting	CA	95003
fd27c8d4-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Working	VA	22903

#### CODE

%%sql SELECT DISTINCT d.dog\_guid, d.breed\_group, u.state, u.zip FROM dogs d JOIN users u ON d.user\_guid=u.user\_guid WHERE breed\_group IN ('Working','Sporting','Herding');

#### **OUTPUT**

• mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 10254 rows affected.

Question 8: Earlier we examined unique users in the users table who were NOT in the dogs table. Use a NOT EXISTS clause to examine all the users in the dogs table that are not in the users table (you should get 2 rows in your output).

#### In [7]:

```
%*sql
SELECT d.user_guid AS dUserID, d.dog_guid AS dDogID
FROM dogs d
WHERE NOT EXISTS (SELECT DISTINCT u.user_guid
FROM users u
WHERE d.user_guid =u.user_guid);
```

- \* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb
- 2 rows affected.

#### Out[7]:

 dUserID
 dDogID

 None
 fd7c0a66-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b

 None
 fdbb6b7a-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b

Question 9: We saw earlier that user\_guid 'ce7b75bc-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b' still ends up with 1819 rows of output after a left outer join with the dogs table. If you investigate why, you'll find out that's because there are duplicate user\_guids in the dogs table as well. How would you adapt the query we wrote earlier (copied below) to only join unique UserIDs from the users table with unique UserIDs from the dog table?

Join we wrote earlier:

Let's build our way up to the correct query. To troubleshoot, let's only examine the rows related to user\_guid 'ce7b75bc-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b', since that's the userID that is causing most of the trouble. Rewrite the query above to only LEFT JOIN *distinct* user(s) from the user table whose user\_guid='ce7b75bc-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b'. The first two output columns should have matching user\_guids, and the numrows column should have one row with a value of 1819:

#### In [10]:

```
%%sql

SELECT DistinctUUsersID.user_guid AS uUserID, d.user_guid AS dUserID, count(*) AS numrows

FROM (SELECT DISTINCT u.user_guid
        FROM users u) AS DistinctUUsersID

LEFT JOIN dogs d
        ON DistinctUUsersID.user_guid=d.user_guid

GROUP BY DistinctUUsersID.user_guid

ORDER BY numrows DESC

LIMIT 10;
```

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb
10 rows affected.

#### Out[10]:

uUserID	dUserID	numrows
ce7b75bc-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce7b75bc-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	1819
ce225842-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce225842-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	26
ce2258a6-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce2258a6-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	20
ce135e14-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce135e14-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	13
ce29675e-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce29675e-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	11
ce134492-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce134492-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	9
ce6676d0-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce6676d0-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	8
ce83d2ca-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce83d2ca-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	8
ce32305a-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce32305a-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	7
ce7adeea-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce7adeea-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	7

#### CODE

%%sql SELECT DistinctUUsersID.user\_guid AS uUserID, d.user\_guid AS dUserID, count(\*) AS numrows FROM (SELECT DISTINCT u.user\_guid FROM users u) AS DistinctUUsersID LEFT JOIN dogs d ON DistinctUUsersID.user\_guid=d.user\_guid GROUP BY DistinctUUsersID.user\_guid ORDER BY numrows DESC;

#### OUTPUT

mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 33193 rows affected.

#### In [11]:

```
%%sql
SELECT DistinctUUsersID.user_guid AS uUserID, d.user_guid AS dUserID, count(*) AS numrows
FROM (SELECT DISTINCT u.user_guid
FROM users u
WHERE u.user_guid='ce7b75bc-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b') AS
DistinctUUsersID
LEFT JOIN dogs d
ON DistinctUUsersID.user_guid=d.user_guid
GROUP BY DistinctUUsersID.user_guid
ORDER BY numrows DESC;
```

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 1 rows affected.

#### Out[11]:

 uUserID
 dUserID
 numrows

 ce7b75bc-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
 ce7b75bc-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
 1819

Question 10: Now let's prepare and test the inner query for the right half of the join. Give the dogs table an alias, and write a query that would select the distinct user\_guids from the dogs table (we will use this query as a inner subquery in subsequent questions, so you will need an alias to differentiate the user\_guid column of the dogs table from the user\_guid column of the users table).

```
In [19]:
```

```
%%sql
SELECT DISTINCT d.user_guid
FROM dogs d
LIMIT 10;
```

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 10 rows affected.

#### Out[19]:

#### user\_guid

None

ce134492-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b ce134a78-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b ce134be0-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b ce134d16-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b ce134e42-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b ce13507c-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b

ce1352ac-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b ce1353d8-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b

CODE

%%sql SELECT DISTINCT d.user\_guid FROM dogs d;

#### **OUTPUT**

• mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 30968 rows affected.

#### CODE

%%sql SELECT DISTINCT d.user\_guid FROM dogs d;

#### **OUTPUT**

• mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 30968 rows affected.

Question 11: Now insert the query you wrote in Question 10 as a subquery on the right part of the join you wrote in question 9. The output should return columns that should have matching user\_guids, and 1 row in the numrows column with a value of 1. If you are getting errors, make sure you have given an alias to the derived table you made to extract the distinct user\_guids from the dogs table, and double-check that your aliases are referenced correctly in the SELECT and ON statements.

#### In [13]:

```
%*sql

SELECT DistinctUUsersID.user_guid AS uUserID, DistictDUsersID.user_guid AS
dUserID, count(*) AS numrows

FROM (SELECT DISTINCT u.user_guid

FROM users u

WHERE u.user_guid='ce7b75bc-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b') AS
DistinctUUsersID

LEFT JOIN (SELECT DISTINCT d.user_guid

FROM dogs d) AS DistictDUsersID

ON DistinctUUsersID.user_guid=DistictDUsersID.user_guid

GROUP BY DistinctUUsersID.user_guid

ORDER BY numrows DESC;
```

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 1 rows affected.

#### Out[13]:

uUserID dUserID numrows

ce7b75bc-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b ce7b75bc-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b

Question 12: Adapt the query from Question 10 so that, in theory, you would retrieve a full list of all the DogIDs a user in the users table owns, with its accompagnying breed information whenever possible. HOWEVER, BEFORE YOU RUN THE QUERY MAKE SURE TO LIMIT YOUR OUTPUT TO 100 ROWS WITHIN THE SUBQUERY TO THE LEFT OF YOUR JOIN. If you run the query without imposing limits it will take a very long time. If you try to limit the output by just putting a limit clause at the end of the outermost query, the database will still have to hold the entire derived tables in memory and join each row of the derived tables before limiting the output. If you put the limit clause in the subquery to the left of the join, the database will only have to join 100 rows of data.

#### In [16]:

```
%%sql

SELECT DistinctUUsersID.user_guid AS uUserID, DistictDUsersID.user_guid AS
dUserID,
DistictDUsersID.dog_guid AS DogID, DistictDUsersID.breed AS breed
FROM (SELECT DISTINCT u.user_guid
FROM users u
LIMIT 100) AS DistinctUUsersID
LEFT JOIN (SELECT DISTINCT d.user_guid, d.dog_guid, d.breed
FROM dogs d) AS DistictDUsersID
ON DistinctUUsersID.user_guid=DistictDUsersID.user_guid
LIMIT 10;
```

### Out[16]:

uUserID	dUserID	DogID	breed
ce134e42-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce134e42-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	fd27b272-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Labrador Retriever
ce134e42-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce134e42-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	fd417cac-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Mixed
ce1353d8-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce1353d8-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	fd27b5ba-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Shetland Sheepdog
ce1353d8-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce1353d8-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	fd3fb0f2-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Shetland Sheepdog
ce135ab8-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce135ab8-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	fd27b6b4-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Golden Retriever
ce13507c-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce13507c-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	fd27b79a-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Golden Retriever
ce135e14-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce135e14-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	fd27b86c-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Shih Tzu
ce135e14-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce135e14-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	fd27ba1a-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Shih Tzu
ce135e14-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce135e14-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	fd27e9a4-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Shih Tzu
ce135e14-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce135e14-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	fd27ed46-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	Shih Tzu

#### CODE

%%sql SELECT DistinctUUsersID.user\_guid AS uUserID, DistictDUsersID.user\_guid AS dUserID, DistictDUsersID.dog\_guid AS DogID, DistictDUsersID.breed AS breed FROM (SELECT DISTINCT u.user\_guid FROM users u LIMIT 100) AS DistinctUUsersID LEFT JOIN (SELECT DISTINCT d.user\_guid, d.dog\_guid, d.breed FROM dogs d) AS DistictDUsersID ON DistinctUUsersID.user\_guid=DistictDUsersID.user\_guid;

#### OUTPUT

• mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 165 rows affected.

Question 13: You might have a good guess by now about why there are duplicate rows in the dogs table and users table, even though most corporate databases are configured to prevent duplicate rows from ever being accepted. To be sure, though, let's adapt this query we wrote above:

```
SELECT DistinctUUsersID.user_guid AS uUserID, d.user_guid AS dUserID, count(*) AS numrows
FROM (SELECT DISTINCT u.user_guid FROM users u) AS DistinctUUsersID

LEFT JOIN dogs d
ON DistinctUUsersID.user_guid=d.user_guid
GROUP BY DistinctUUsersID.user_guid
ORDER BY numrows DESC
```

Add dog breed and dog weight to the columns that will be included in the final output of your query. In addition, use a HAVING clause to include only UserIDs who would have more than 10 rows in the output of the left join (your output should contain 5 rows).

<sup>\*</sup> mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 10 rows affected.

#### In [20]:

```
%*sql

SELECT DistinctUUsersID.user_guid AS uUserID, d.user_guid AS dUserID, count(*) AS numrows

FROM (SELECT DISTINCT u.user_guid FROM users u) AS DistinctUUsersID

LEFT JOIN dogs d

ON DistinctUUsersID.user_guid=d.user_guid

GROUP BY DistinctUUsersID.user_guid

ORDER BY numrows DESC

LIMIT 10;
```

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 10 rows affected.

#### Out[20]:

uUserID	dUserID	numrows
ce7b75bc-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce7b75bc-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	1819
ce225842-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce225842-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	26
ce2258a6-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce2258a6-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	20
ce135e14-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce135e14-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	13
ce29675e-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce29675e-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	11
ce134492-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce134492-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	9
ce6676d0-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce6676d0-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	8
ce83d2ca-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce83d2ca-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	8
ce32305a-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce32305a-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	7
ce7adeea-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	ce7adeea-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b	7

#### CODE

%%sql SELECT DistinctUUsersID.user\_guid AS uUserID, d.user\_guid AS dUserID, count(\*) AS numrows FROM (SELECT DISTINCT u.user\_guid FROM users u) AS DistinctUUsersID LEFT JOIN dogs d ON DistinctUUsersID.user\_guid=d.user\_guid GROUP BY DistinctUUsersID.user\_guid ORDER BY numrows DESC;

#### OUTPUT

• mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb 33193 rows affected.

#### **QUESTION 13 ANSWER**

# In [17]:

# %%sql SELECT DistictUUsersID.user\_guid AS userid, d.breed, d.weight, count(\*) AS numrows FROM (SELECT DISTINCT u.user\_guid FROM users u) AS DistictUUsersID LEFT JOIN dogs d ON DistictUUsersID.user\_guid=d.user\_guid GROUP BY DistictUUsersID.user\_guid HAVING numrows>10 ORDER BY numrows DESC;

\* mysql://studentuser:\*\*\*@localhost/dognitiondb
5 rows affected.

#### Out[17]:

numrows	weight	breed	userid
1819	190	Shih Tzu	ce7b75bc-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
26	190	Shih Tzu	ce225842-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
20	190	Shih Tzu	ce2258a6-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
13	190	Shih Tzu	ce135e14-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b
11	60	Labrador Retriever- Mix	ce29675e-7144-11e5-ba71-058fbc01cf0b

You can see that almost all of the UserIDs that are causing problems are Shih Tzus that weigh 190 pounds. As we learned in earlier lessons, Dognition used this combination of breed and weight to code for testing accounts. These UserIDs do not represent real data. These types of testing entries would likely be cleaned out of databases used in large established companies, but could certainly still be present in either new databases that are still being prepared and configured, or in small companies which have not had time or resources to perfect their data storage.

There are not very many incorrect entries in the Dognition database and most of the time these entries will not appreciably affect your queries or analyses. However, you have now seen the effects such entries can have in the rare cases when you need to implement outer joins on tables that have duplicate rows or linking columns with many to many relationships. Hopefully, understanding these rare cases has helped you understand more deeply the fundamental concepts behind joining tables in relational databases.

#### Feel free to practice more subqueries below!

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